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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Takayasu TANIGUCHI et al.**

Group Art Unit: **3761**

Application Number: **10/552,152**

Examiner: **Melanie Jo Hand**

Filed: **October 7, 2005**

Confirmation Number: **9203**

For: **WATER-ABSORBING RESIN COMPOUND**

Attorney Docket Number: **053170**

Customer Number: **38834**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 12, 2007


Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 11, 2006 for one month from January 11, 2007 to February 11, 2007.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$120.00 for the cost of the extension. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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